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SURRENDERS—Herman Kierdorf, 68, former Teamster Union business agent and uncle of "human torch" Frank Kierdorf, is shown at the Oakland County, Mich., jail, after surrendering himself to police. Police had been searching for Kierdorf for 13 days, for questioning about the fatal burning of his nephew, and also for his possession of a gun silencer. He was booked on possession of the silencer.

Relief For Inflation's Worst Victims May Result In More Inflation For United States

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NEW YORK (AP) — Some 12 million of inflation's worst victims are in line today for a little relief.

If President Eisenhower signs the social security bill into law, Uncle Sam will hand out about one billion dollars more next year to 12 million beneficiaries.

He will collect a little more than one billion dollars additional through higher taxes. Half the increase will be paid by the 75 million whose pay checks are docked for social security taxes, and the other half by their employers.

The increased benefits are designed to make up for some of the ravages of past inflation on the fixed incomes of the retired.

Battle To Resume

If new inflation pops up, as many in Washington fear, the battle will start all over again.

The big rise in the cost of living since the war has cramped persons beyond their earning years. They have found the nest egg they once thought ostrich size has shrunk to pigeon size.

The new benefits and the new taxes will still leave the social security system running in the red, as it started to do for the first time in the past year.

This year it is paying out nearly \$1 1/2 billion dollars in benefits and it is taking in 7 1/2 billion dollars in taxes on the employed and their employers. Next year under the new bill payments would rise to 9 1/2 billion and collections to a bit more than 8 billion.

Large Reserve Fund

The system has a large reserve fund on which to draw. But taxes will have to go up steadily from year to year if the higher payments are to be made and the reserve saved from too much drainage. Sponsors of the new bill say it should bring the social security

fund into balance within a few more years as the tax rates rise. Many elderly persons have other forms of income.

There has been a rapid growth in corporate pension funds in recent years. Union pension funds are also a growing part of the economic scene. Annuities and insurance benefit payments aid many others.

But inflation bites into any of these income sources, and only a few of the retired are in a position to increase their incomes to meet inflation's intruder.

As the number of those 65 or over grows from the present 14 million to an expected 18 million within 10 years, the problem is likely to grow too.

Traffic Charges Denied In Court; Trial Date Set

John L. Yarbrough, 27, 1227 SE Stephens St., Roseburg, entered pleas of innocent today in municipal court to a pair of traffic law violations, then pleaded guilty to failure to pay parking meter tickets.

He was arrested by city police Monday on charges of driving a car with a suspended operator's license and reckless driving.

Municipal Judge John L. Horn set trial date on the first charge for Sept. 18, and Sept. 24 for the second count. Yarbrough was released from jail upon posting of \$250 bail on each citation.

He then paid a \$7.50 fine after a guilty plea to the parking meter citation.

Judge Horn also fined three transients \$25 each after they pleaded guilty to vagrancy charges. All were jailed in lieu of the fines. They were:

John G. Hamilton, 45, no address; Walter Allen Woods, 44, of Butte, Mont.; and John Vincent Huston, 64, of Las Vegas. The trio was picked up Monday at the hobo camp on SE Short Street.

LEAVE IT TO THE BIRDS

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP)—Argentina and Chile have agreed to quit feuding over a bleak little island near the tip of South America and leave it to the birds.

Both nations have held unsettled claims to Snipe Island since 1881. Chile recently began building a lighthouse there. Argentine Marines destroyed it Aug. 9 and stationed a detachment there. Chile angrily withdrew her ambassador from Buenos Aires.

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